SKOKIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

March & April 2020











Every week, and every year, we are here for you and for everyone in our community. Whatever you're curious about, we can help you find out what you want to know. Are there other people you'd like to collaborate with? We can help you find them. We're all engaged in building a stronger community, and we celebrate our contributions during National Library Week.



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KIDS & FAMILIES

LIBRARY DANCE PARTY

Drop-in event. Get your groove on at this dance party for preschoolers and their grown-ups. We'll use scarves, bean bags, and ribbons to get everyone dancing. For ages 2–6 with an adult. *Tuesdays, March 10 and April 28, 10:30–11 am*

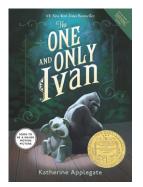


STEAM Engines Club

Registration required. Science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) can unravel the wonders of how the world works in a hands-on, fun way. Limited to 16 participants in grades K–2. Registration begins February 1. *Tuesday, March 10 at 4pm–4:45 pm*

Family Book Club

Registration required. In this book discussion for second and third graders and an accompanying grown-up, we'll discuss this month's book and play a book-related game or create a craft together. Sign up for the discussion, then pick up a copy of the book at the Youth Services Desk. Please register the child only, although an adult must attend as well.



The One and Only Ivan

In *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate, Ivan, a gorilla, has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall. When Ivan meets Ruby, a baby elephant who has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.

Thursday, March 12, 6–6:45 pm

Stargazing

Jen Wang wrote *Stargazing*, a story of friendship. Growing up in the same Chinese-American suburb, perfectionist Christine and artistic, confident, and impulsive Moon become unlikely best friends. Their friendship is tested by jealousy, social expectations, and illness. *Thursday, April 9, 6–6:45 pm*



Meet the Guitar

Drop-in event. Join us for a musical storytime, including an introduction to the guitar by the Music Institute of Chicago. For kids of all ages.

Tuesday, March 3, 10:30 am–11:15 am

Breastfeeding Support Group

Drop-in event. This weekly breastfeeding support group is facilitated by Jeni Gentry, an IBLCEcertified consultant and mother of three. Limited to 10 participants. Topics will rotate and conversations will be driven by participants. IBLCE is the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners.

Thursdays, 9:30–10:30 am



Family Movie

Maleficent: Mistress of Evil

Drop-in event. Maleficent and Aurora form new alliances and face new adversaries in their struggle to protect the moors and the magical creatures that reside within.

Released 2019–118 minutes–Rated PG for intense sequences of fantasy action/violence and brief scary images–Adventure, Fantasy Friday, March 13, 7–9 pm

Abominable

Drop-in event. When Yi encounters a young Yeti on the roof of her apartment building, she and her mischievous friends, Jin and Peng, try to reunite the magical creature with his family.



Released 2019–97 minutes– Rated PG for some action and mild rude humor– Animated Adventure Friday, April 10, 7–9 pm

Rainbow Therapy Time

Registration required. Children with disabilities are invited to enjoy the benefits of interacting with trained therapy dogs. Rainbow dog handlers will work with the children to strengthen motor skills, learn social skills,

and improve language use. Limited to 10 participants ages 7–12. Sundays, March 15 and April 19, 11 am–noon

Planting Party with the Bookmobile

Drop-in event. Stop by the bookmobile and start planters with seeds from your favorite flora. For all kids. This event will take place at the East Prairie School bookmobile stop at Howard Street and East Prairie Road.

Tuesday, March 17, 3–3:45 pm at Howard Street & East Prairie Road



MONDAYS

Wonderful Ones	12-23 months	10:30-11 am
Rise & Shine Storytime	2–5 years	10:30-11 am

TUESDAYS

Toddler Time for Twos	2 years	10:30-11 am
Preschool Storytime	3-5 years	10:30-11 am

WEDNESDAYS

Book Babies Storytime 0-11 months 9:30-10 am

• Together Time	0-23 months	9:30-11:30 am
Wonderful Ones	12-23 months	10:15-10:45 am
Wonderful Ones	12-23 months	11-11:30 am
Family Fun Storytime	2-6 years	6:30-7 pm

THURSDAYS

Preschool Storytime

1:30-2 pm

10:30-11 am

FRIDAYS

Toddler Time for Twos	2 years	10:30-11 am
Toddler Time for Twos	2 years	11:30 am-noon

3–5 years

SATURDAYS

• Weekend Storytime 2-6 years

• Meets every week

WRITE Stuff Writing Club

Registration required. Aspiring writers, bring a notebook and we'll get your creative juices flowing with some writing exercises and games. Limited to 15 participants in grades 4–5.

Tuesdays, March 17 and April 21, 7–8 pm

Registration opens March 1 at calendar.skokielibrary.info or 847-673-7774.

Gentle Play

Drop-in event. This sensoryfriendly play group is designed for children who need a small, nurturing environment. Therapists from Steinberg Behavior Solutions will be on hand to facilitate play skills and social interaction using toys and positive reinforcement. For children ages 2–5 with an adult caregiver. Limited to 20 people. *Thursdays, March 19 and April 23,*

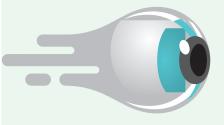
9:30–10:30 am

Be the Scientist

Registration required. Build your understanding of scientific concepts with monthly experiments and activities. Limited to 16 participants in grades 3–5.



Understanding the Immune System *Thursday, March 19, 4:30–5:30 pm*



Eyes: The Mechanics of Sight *Thursday, April 30, 4:30–5:30 pm*



Drop-in event. An afternoon of hands-on activities and interactive demonstrations with science enthusiasts and experts for all ages. *Friday, March 20 and Saturday, March 21, 2–3:30 pm*

Stargazer Night

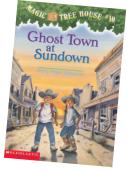
Drop-in event. We'll have our telescope out on the Village Green for stargazing, constellation naming, and space discovery. For all ages. Weather permitting.

Friday, March 20, 7:30-8:30 pm

Magic Tree House Fun

Registration required. Enjoy activities inspired by Mary Pope Osborne's *Ghost Town at Sundown*, a part of the Magic Tree House chapter book series. For ages 6 and up. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Tuesday, March 24, 3–4 pm



GLOW IN THE DARK DANCE PARTY

Drop-in event. Listen to your favorite tunes and dance to crowd favorites with glow-in-the-dark gear. For youth ages 6 and up. Children younger than 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Thursday, March 26, 3–3:45 pm

Bowled Over: An Evening of Cereal Fun

Registration required. Enjoy (edible) activities related to your favorite breakfast cereal. For ages 8 and up. *Friday, March 27, 6–6:45 pm and 7:15–8 pm*



Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament

Registration required. Compete with other teens on Nintendo Switch for your chance to win bragging rights and prizes. Limited to 30 participants in grades 6–12. *Saturday, March 28, 1:30–4:30 pm*

Family Art Party

Drop-in event. Bring the whole family to dive into a hands-on project using all manner of artistic tools and techniques. For all ages.

Saturdays, March 28 and April 25, 3-4 pm

DAILY YOUTH MYSTERY

Drop-in event. Stop by the Youth Services Desk to help solve a different mystery each day. This event is part of our visit with author Dana Alison Levy, whose book

It Wasn't Me was one of our 2019 Hot Summer Reads.

Monday–Thursday, March 30–April 2, 3–6 pm



MEET THE AUTHOR: DANA ALISON LEVY

Drop-in event. Join us for a book signing and meet and greet with author Dana Alison Levy. Levy's book *It Wasn't Me* was one of the library's 2019 Hot Summer Reads. Books will be available for purchase from The Book Stall. For kids of all ages. *Friday, April 3, 4:30–5:30 pm*



Tattoo Party on the Bookmobile

Drop-in event. Get a (temporary) tattoo featuring one of your favorite characters. This event will take place at the Lawler Park bookmobile stop at Lavergne Avenue and Old Orchard Road. For all kids.

Thursday, April 16, 4:30–5:30 pm



Adventure Club: Mongolia

Registration required. Learn about Mongolia's culture, traditions, foods, and fun! Limited to 25 participants in grades K–4.

Friday, April 17, 4:30–5:30 pm

Mindfulness for Kids

Registration required. Learn to calm the mind, increase focus, and regulate emotions through fun and engaging mindfulness-based exercises from Culture of Safety. Limited to 20 participants ages 8–12.

Sunday, April 19, 2–3 pm



Eat-a-Book

Drop-in event. Stop by and enjoy a snack inspired by your favorite books.

Monday, April 20, Wednesday, April 22, and Friday, April 24, 3:30–4 pm

Community Storytime Featuring East Prairie

Drop-in event. Faculty and staff from East Prairie School will read their favorite stories. For grades K–5.

Thursday, April 23, 6:30–7:30 pm

Learn and Play: Dinosaurs

Drop-in event. Join us for imaginative and pretend play. For ages 4–7 with an adult. *Monday, April 27, 10:30–11:30 am*





NAVIGATING ADOPTION, FOSTER CARE, AND GUARDIANSHIP SYSTEMS

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Monday, April 27, 7–8 pm

MARCH YOUTH & FAMILY CALENDAR

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15 Rainbow Therapy Time 11 am	16 Rise & Shine Storytime 10:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:30 am	17 Preschool Story 10:30 am Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 am Plant Party 3 pm Knit and Crochet 4 pm WRITE Stuff 7 pm	18 Book Babies Storytime 9:30 am Together Time 9:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:15 & 11 am Family Fun Storytime 6:30 pm	19 Breastfeeding Support Group 9:30 am Gentle Play 9:30 am Preschool Storytime 1:30 pm Be the Scientist 4:30 pm	20 Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 & 11:30 am Family Science Expo 2 pm Stargazer Night 7:30 pm	21 Weekend Storytime 10:30 am Family Science Expo 2 pm
22	23 Rise & Shine Storytime 10:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:30 am	24 Preschool Storytime 10:30 am Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 am Magic Tree House Fun 3 pm Knit and Crochet 4 pm	25 Book Babies Storytime 9:30 am Together Time 9:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:15 & 11 am Family Fun Storytime 6:30 pm	26 Breastfeeding Support Group 9:30 am Preschool Storytime 1:30 pm Glow-in-the-Dark Dance Party 3 pm	27 Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 & 11:30 am Bowled Over: An Evening of Cereal Fun 6 and 7:15 pm	28 Weekend Storytime 10:30 am Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Tournament 1:30 pm Family Art Party 3 pm
29	30 Rise & Shine Storytime 10:30 am Wonderful Ones Storytime 10:30 am Daily Youth Mystery 3 pm	31 Preschool Storytime 10:30 am Toddler Time for Twos 10:30 am Daily Youth Mystery 3 pm Knit and Crochet 4 pm				

APRIL YOUTH & FAMILY CALENDAR

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STAY IN THE KNOW



No matter if you call it IG, Insta, or the gram, we've got an Instagram account you want to follow. We love to show real moments that capture our relationship with the community, amazing historical facts and photos, and funny findings around the library.

Did you know we're also on YouTube? For years we've created videos that give voice to all that the library does. Our videos include staff profiles, videos about our STEAM Kits, our Talkin' Books series, how-to videos for crafts and food, sing-along videos for kids, and so much more.

We've got exciting things coming for both Instagram and Youtube, so follow and subscribe now!





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FOR ADULTS

World Film and Discussion

The Cave of the Yellow Dog *Monday, March 2, 6:30 pm*

Tel Aviv on Fire Monday, April 6, 6:30 pm



Getting Answers on the Internet

Registration required. Between "fake news" and the commercialization of the web, it can be tough to determine what sources are most reliable. Mike Buhmann, one of our reference librarians, will review websites and databases that you can use to get definitive answers.

Tuesday, March 10, 7–8 pm

Medicare 101: The Basics and Beyond

Registration required. Maribeth Stein, constituent advocate for Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky will review what Medicare covers, what costs are associated with coverage, how and when to enroll, and what the Advantage program can provide.

Wednesday, March 11, 7–8:30 pm

AMERICA'S FIRST SPORTS HERO: CHRISTY MATHEWSON

Registration required. Before the internet, TV, radio, and talking movies, one athlete earned fame and adoration across the country: baseball pitcher Christy Mathewson. Craig Pierce presents the



remarkable story of our first sports hero. Wednesday, March 18, 7–8:30 pm

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Using Census Records in Genealogical Research

Registration required. Census records are an integral part of family history research. Learn how to make the most of these records in this presentation with genealogist Katharine Andrew. *Thursday, March 19, 7–8:30 pm*

Find My I-Cash

Drop-in event. Ask the Illinois Treasurer's I-Cash team to search for potential unclaimed funds and property. One in eight Illinois residents has an asset to be claimed in I-Cash. Assets can include cash refunds, stocks, CDs, safe deposit boxes, and valuables. First come, first served.

Monday, April 6, 9 am-1:30 pm

First-Time Home Buyers: What You Need to Know

Registration required. Thinking about buying your first home? In this presentation, learn what you should consider before taking the next steps. Local real estate expert Arlyn Tratt will walk you through the process and answer your questions.

Tuesday, April 7, 6:30–8 pm

Mysterious Chicago

Registration required. Who was the first murderer in Chicago? What really started the Great Fire? Where did Al Capone really hang out? Author and historian Adam Selzer delves deep into both famous and lesser-known mysteries in this fascinating reflection on Chicago's past. *Monday, April 13, 7–8:30 pm*



Unraveling Baseball's Home Run Explosion

Registration required. Nearly every home run record in Major League Baseball has been broken in the past five years. Sports analyst and writer Rob Arthur explains what has led to the increase in runs.

Thursday, April 16, 7–8:30 pm



What Are We Doing This Weekend?

Registration required. With all Chicago has to offer, deciding what to do can feel overwhelming. Author and Chicago Architecture Center docent Molly Page provides tips and ideas for your next outing. Books will be sold after the event.

Monday, April 20, 7–8 pm



ALI WENZKE

Make Moving a Happier Experience

Registration required. Learn how to declutter for a move, get your home ready to sell, and create a happy new home with author Ali Wenzke. Copies of *The Art*

of Happy Moving: How to Declutter, Pack, and Start over While Maintaining Your Sanity and Finding Happiness will be available for purchase after the program courtesy of The Book Stall.

Tuesday, April 14, 7–8:30 pm

Climate Change: What Are We Going to Do about It?

Registration required. Climate change, zero waste, and carbon footprint are becoming common terms as we discuss the future of our planet. Bring your ideas about how we can live more sustainable lives, and get more resources on what we can do next. *Tuesday, April 21, 7–8:30 pm*

Go Figure: Lies and Navigating the Presidential Campaign Trail

Registration required. Separate fact from fiction on the campaign trail as you empower yourself by learning how numbers are used. Statistics expert and former journalist Matt Baron pulls back the curtain on how statistics are used in reporting and storytelling.

Wednesday, April 22, 7-8:30 pm

Registration opens March 1 at calendar.skokielibrary.info or 847-673-7774.

We strive to make events welcoming for people of all abilities. To request accommodations, call the library at 847-673-7774.

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Meditation Mondays at 7 pm, March 2 and April 6

Career Action Group Thursdays at 3 pm, March 5 and 19 and April 2 and 16

Open Sew Fridays at 5:30 pm, March 6 and April 3

Knit and Crochet All the Way *Tuesdays at 4 pm*

ESL Café Wednesdays at 12:30 pm

Low Vision Support Group Tuesdays at 1:30 pm, March 10 and April 14

Introduction to Yoga Thursdays at 2:30 pm, March 12 and April 9 (Registration is required at calendar.skokielibrary.info or 847-673-7774.)

Write On! A Skokie Writers Group Mondays at 7 pm, March 23 and April 27

Savvy Skokie Seniors Wednesdays at 11 am, March 25 and April 22

Great Decisions Discussion Group Wednesdays at 7 pm, March 25 and April 15



Take a Stand against Racism

Drop-in event. Show the world that Skokie is helping to end racism. Let's line Oakton Street and show that we cannot ignore or tolerate racism. Make a sign if you'd like, and be seen. This is part of the national Stand against Racism, a movement of the YWCA. *Thursday, April 23, 10:30–11:15 am*

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Monday, April 27, 7–8 pm

Atypical Globetrotting

Registration required. If you dream of longterm responsible travel, Brian Michalski presents his 22-month solo backpacking journey, and he'll show you how to travel like a pro. Journey through Australia, Southeast Asia, India, Cuba, and more. Get insider tips on planning, budgeting, understanding cultures, and navigating different spaces.

Tuesday, April 28, 7–8 pm

A Portrait of Shakespeare

Registration required. Peter Garino, artistic director of The Shakespeare Project of Chicago, takes us on a journey combining

biography and excerpts from Shakespeare's plays and sonnets. Learn about his humble beginning in Stratford-upon-Avon to becoming the dramatist he's known as today.

Thursday, April 30, 7–8:30 p



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

LitLounge

Held at Village Inn, 8050 Lincoln Avenue

Orlando by Virginia Woolf *Wednesday, March 11, 7:30 pm**

Severance by Ling Ma *Wednesday, April 15, 7:30 pm**

Adult Book Discussion

The Maze at Windermere by Gregory Blake Smith *Tuesday, March 17, 7 pm**

The Bar Harbor Retirement Home for Famous Writers (And Their Muses) by Terri-Lynne DeFino *Tuesday, April 21, 7 pm**

Talking Books Discussion Group

Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson Wednesday, March 25, 1:30 pm*

Small Fry by Lisa Brennan-Jobs *Wednesday, April 22, 1:30 pm**

*Registration is required at calendar.skokielibrary.info or 847-673-7774. Sign up and get copies of the books at the Readers Services Desk.



Registration opens March 1 (earlier for book discussions) at calendar.skokielibrary.info or 847-673-7774.

LIVE PERFORMANCES

Guitarist Goran Ivanovic

Drop-in event. Guitarist Goran Ivanovic, born and raised in Croatia, was studying at the Mozarteum University in Austria when his parents were expelled from Croatia in the late 1990s. The family was granted asylum in the United States and settled in Chicago. Since his arrival, Goran has steadily expanded his stylistic range well beyond the European classical music and Balkan sounds he was fluently versed in when he arrived. These days, his repertoire incorporates jazz and flamenco as well.

Sunday, March 8, 3-4:15 pm



Character Fleadh Irish Band

Drop-in event. Enjoy a mix of traditional Irish instrumentals with nuanced arrangements that incorporate classical counterpoint. Character Fleadh performs regularly at festivals and private events throughout Chicagoland. The musicians are Nathan Britsch (bass), Ethan Sellers (guitar, vocals), Patrick Buzby (bodhran), Joe Kilroy (tenor banjo, mandolin), Dana Joras (flute, vocals), and Emily Albright (fiddle, vocals).

Sunday, March 15, 3-4:15 pm

BOURBON ARISTOCRACY: 100-PROOF BLUEGRASS

Drop-in event. Bourbon Aristocracy plays Kentucky bluegrass—authentic traditional music from a simpler time. You'll hear bluegrass classics from artists such as Bill Monroe, Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs, Jimmy Martin, and many more, alongside more recent bluegrass songs by classic country artists like Hank Williams and Johnny Cash. The group's name pays tribute to Kentucky's gift to the world (bourbon) and one of band leader Ethan Seller's distant relatives from Kentucky, who was a nephew of U.S. President Zachary Taylor and father of the modern bourbon industry. Only music will be served at this performance... sorry, no bourbon!

Sunday, March 29, 3–4:15 pm

City on Fire: A Live Radio Play about the 1919 Chicago Race Riot

Drop-in event. Our teen theater ensemble and Northlight Theatre present this play, written by Natalie Moore and Jeremy McCarter, based on a production by WBEZ Chicago and Make Believe Association. The performance will be followed by a Q&A session with the teen cast and the production's guest director, Tiffany Fulson.

Saturday, April 4, 3–4 pm



Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre

Drop-in event. Cerqua Rivera Dance Theatre uses dance and live music to nourish the mind and the soul, uniting artists and audiences to explore themes that shape our community. Performances are theatrical and thoughtful, vivacious and exuberant. Featuring pieces from the company's multicultural repertoire, this show highlights where different forms of contemporary American dance and music come from and the stories they tell.

Sunday, April 19, 3–4:15 pm

Petra van Nuis Quartet: Music of Cy Coleman

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Drop-in event. One of Frank Sinatra's most beloved composers, Cy Coleman wrote tunes such as "Witchcraft," "The Best Is Yet to Come," "Big Spender," and many more. The Petra van Nuis Quartet features Petra singing the tunes, with pianist Chris White, guitarist Andy Brown, and bassist Doug Hayes.

Sunday, April 26, 3-4:15 pm

Sonya Jones, Violin, and Zheko Nedev, Piano Sunday, March 1, 3–4:15 pm Sameer Agrawal, Violin, and Ashley Kim, Piano Sunday, April 5, 3–4:15 pm

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Free tickets distributed 30 minutes before each performance.



PHASE ONE: The Second Floor

What's special about working with libraries?

Any occupied space is more difficult than a regular construction site, where it's just construction workers you need to worry about for safety. Here, we have to worry about the public, and it's constant communication with library staff and the fire department about safety issues while we're doing construction.

How is the fire department involved?

We get them here regularly to look at the construction site, so in case something happens, they know what the space looks like. If walls are gone, or if we put a temporary wall up, then they have to know how to maneuver around the temporary wall and get to the space that they need to. For example, we shut down the drive on the East side, so now they know to go to the West entrance.

We've seen a special machine for the stair renovation. How does it work?

That's the mini Brokk. It is remote controlled. It can collapse and fit through doorways, and it weighs less than 2,500 pounds, so it can fit in an elevator and actually walk up and down stairs. They start on the top floor and walk the Brokk down the stairs to demo it out, versus bringing in a big piece of equipment for that. Using a remote control is safer. It's not like somebody is standing on top of the floor that's getting demo'd out. It's quieter than a bigger piece of equipment and it runs on electricity, so it doesn't make fumes, so we can use it in an occupied space.

How common is it to find old books or items while renovating libraries?

It's very common to find old books stuffed under bookshelves. Some of them, it's been 10+ years since they were checked out. On this particular project, we ended up tearing out a desk area, and there was a driver's license that was lost years and years ago.

For updates and more information, visit skokielibrary.info/renovation



Talking with Mike Glover, Our Construction Manager





BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

Microsoft PowerPoint 2016 for Beginners

Registration required. This hands-on class is an introduction to the essentials of Microsoft PowerPoint 2016: tabs, layouts, themes, background, bullets, animations, and more. Basic mouse and keyboard skills are needed. Limited to 10 participants.

Saturday, March 14, 10:30–11:30 am

Make Google Drive Work for You

Registration required. Learn the basics of cloud storage using Google Drive in this hands-on workshop. Google account required. Limited to 10 participants.

Monday, March 16, 1–2 pm



Registration required. Many apps and websites can help you become more mindful, healthy,

and focused. Join Mike Gershbein of Very Smart People to learn about free online options for improving your life.

Monday, March 23, 7-8:30 pm

Using Google Sheets

Registration required. In this workshop, explore how to organize, summarize, and share data; use the built-in chart maker; and export data to Excel. Limited to 10 participants.

Tuesday, March 31, 10:30–11:30 am



Organize Your Life with Pinterest

Registration required. Whether you want to arrange your recipes and craft ideas, plan a party, save ideas for future travel destinations, or promote your business, Pinterest can help. Strong keyboard and mouse skills are required. Limited to 10 participants.

Wednesday, April 1, 1:30–2:30 pm



Learn to Use Your Digital Camera

Registration required. Learn the basics of setting up and operating your digital camera. Learn about shutter speed, aperture, composition, and more with photographer Tiagne Davis. Bring your own digital camera. Limited to 10 participants.

Monday, March 16, 7-8:30 pm

Listening to Podcasts

Registration required. Interested in podcasts? In this workshop, you will practice downloading and listening to them if you bring your own tablet or smartphone. Limited to 10 participants.

Saturday, April 11, 10:30–11:30 am

Microsoft Word 2016: Tables, Text Boxes, and More



Registration required. In this workshop, learn to do complex formatting in Microsoft Word 2016, with an emphasis on tables and text boxes. Familiarity with Microsoft Word 2016 and comfort using a mouse and keyboard are strongly recommended. Limited to 10 participants.

Monday, April 13, 11:30 am-12:30 pm



Recommended by Library Staff Here are just a few of our favorites!





The Adventure Zone The Allusionist Recommended by Rachael



Death, Sex, & Money Ear Hustle Recommended by Rachael Recommended by Rachael Recommended by Jarrett



Recommended by Leah



Gaslit Nation



The Office Ladies Recommended by Tiffany

Tiny Vampires Recommended by Martha





One Bad Mother Recommended by Leah



The Tablo Podcast Recommended by Richard



Why Is This Happening? with Chris Hayes Recommended by Vanessa Recommended by Jarrett

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WITH ESTHER PEREL

Where Should

Esther Perel

We Begin? with

BUSINESS & CAREER

Moving Your Business Forward: Identifying and Applying Best **Business Practices**

Registration required. What's keeping you up at night? We'll facilitate a discussion to address everyone's challenges and explore topics more deeply, as time allows. A joint workshop by SCORE, Skokie Chamber of Commerce, and Skokie Public Library. Call 847-673-0240 to register.

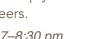
Thursday, March 5, 7:30–9 am at North Shore Community Bank, 7800 Lincoln Avenue



Changing Careers with Confidence

Registration required. Imposter syndrome is the feeling that we're not qualified for a job, or doubt what we're capable of doing. In this discussion, career coach Vidya Ramachandran will share three secrets that will help you be ready to change careers.

Thursday, March 26, 7-8:30 pm



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Registration opens March 1 at calendar.skokielibrary.info or 847-673-7774.

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